UNDERWATER BRIDGE INSPECTION REPORT

STRUCTURE NO. 9360

CSAH NO. 122

OVER THE

MISSISSIPPI RIVER

DISTRICT 5 - HENNEPIN COUNTY



PREPARED FOR THE

MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

BY

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MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION UNDERWATER BRIDGE INSPECTION

REPORT SUMMARY:

The substructure units inspected at Bridge 9360, the East and West Piers, were in good condition above and below water with no defects of structural significance observed. The channel bottom appeared to be degrading between the two piers and has caused partial footing exposure at both piers.

INSPECTION FINDINGS:

- (A) All along the east side of the West Pier, the footing was exposed with a maximum vertical face exposure of 3 feet. Sheet piling was observed along the edge of the footing and reinforcing steel was protruding from the top of the footing.
- (B) The footing of the East Pier was exposed at the northwest corner, over an area 4 feet wide by 10 feet long, with a maximum vertical exposure of 1 foot.
- (C) A minor accumulation of 4 to 6 inch diameter timber debris was observed around the upstream nose of the West Pier.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

(A) No plans for the structure were available at the time of the inspection. It is recommended that existing plans be reviewed to determine the foundation type and depth at both piers in regard to the footing exposure. Normally, the foundations of bridges on the Mississippi River are deep and/or founded on piling, which would suggest no reason for concern at this time, if that is confirmed to be the case. If not, countermeasures could be warranted, such as placing riprap around the exposed footing at both piers to prevent further exposure.

- (B) Monitor the timber debris, and if found to be increasing in the future, removal operations may become warranted.
- (C) Reinspect the submerged substructure units at the normal maximum recommended interval of five (5) years.

I hereby certify that this plan, specification, or report was prepared by me or under my direct supervision and that I am a duly Licensed Professional Engineer under the laws of the State of Minnesota.

Respectfully submitted,

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1. BRIDGE DATA

Bridge Number: 9360

Feature Crossed: The Mississippi River

Feature Carried: CSAH No. 122

Location: District 5 - Hennepin County

Bridge Description: The superstructure consists of four continuous haunched steel girders

supporting a reinforced concrete deck. In addition, a commuter

walkway was constructed above the original deck. The

superstructure is supported by three reinforced concrete piers and two reinforced concrete abutments. No pier foundation information was

available.

2. <u>INSPECTION DATA</u>

Professional Engineer/Team Leader: Shirley M. Walker, P.E.

Dive Team: Michelle D. Koerbel, Clayton G. Brookins

Date: October 1, 2002

Weather Conditions: Sunny, "70E F

Underwater Visibility: "0.5 Foot

Waterway Velocity: "1 fps

3. <u>SUBSTRUCTURE INSPECTION DATA</u>

Substructure Inspected: East and West Piers.

General Shape: The piers consist of a square pier cap supported by three square columns.

The columns are connected by a concrete webwall which started above the waterline and extended into the channel bottom. No design plans were

available to determine the type of substructure foundation.

Maximum Water Depth at Substructure Inspected: Approximately 13.5 Feet.

4. <u>WATERLINE DATUM</u>

Water Level Reference: Cold Joint on the east face of the East Pier.

Water Surface: The waterline was approximately 3.8 feet below reference.

Waterline Elevation = 726.2.

5. NBIS CODING INFORMATION (Minnesota specific codes are used for 92B and 113)

Item 60: Substructure: Code 7

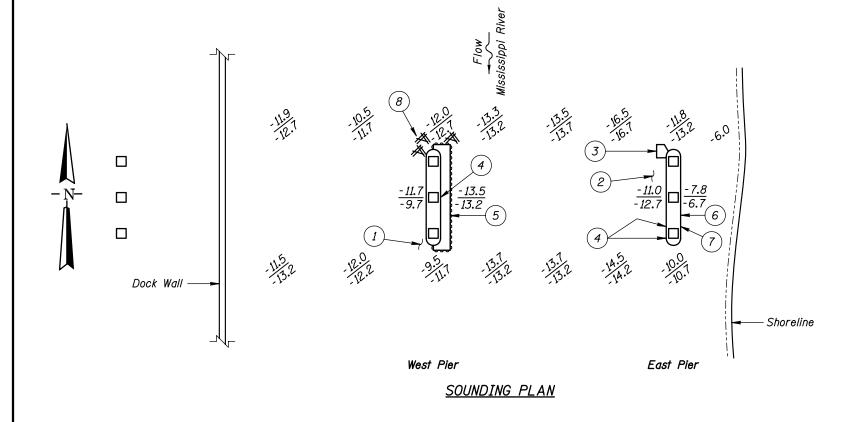
Item 61: Channel and Channel Protection: Code 6

Item 92B: Underwater Inspection: Code B/10/02

Item 113: Scour Critical Bridges: Code P/93

Bridge is scour critical because abutment or pier foundation is rated as unstable due to observed scour at bridge site.

_____ Yes <u>X</u> No



GENERAL NOTES:

- The East and West Piers were inspected underwater.
- At the time of inspection on October 1, 2002 the waterline was located approximately 3.8 feet below the Bench Mark at Elevation 730.0 referenced at the cold joint on the east face of the East Pier. This corresponds with a waterline elevation of 726.2 based on the previous report dated September 17, 2002.
- Soundings indicate the water depth at the time of inspection and are measured in feet.
- Soundings were taken parallel to the bridge at 1/4 point intervals between the substructure

INSPECTION NOTES:

- The channel bottom around the West Pier consisted of 2 to 3 foot diameter riprap along the upstream nose. The west side of the pier consisted of sand and gravel.
- The channel bottom all around the East Pier consisted of 2 to 3 foot diameter riprap.
- Footing exposure at the northwest corner of the East Pier, 4 feet wide by 10 feet long, with 1 foot of vertical exposure.
- Vertical hairline crack with efflorescence from the top of the web wall to the waterline with 1/16 inch maximum width.
- Footing exposure all along the east face of the West Pier with 3 feet maximum vertical exposure and protruding reinforcing steel.
- Horizontal hairline cracks in random areas along the west face of East Pier.
- A spall was observed along a joint at 1 foot below the waterline down 2 feet and was 2 inches wide with up to 1 inch of penetration.
- Minor accumulation of 4 to 6 inch diameter timber debris around the upstream nose of the West Pier. Sheet piling was observed along the edge of the footing and reinforcing steel was protruding from the top of the footing.

Legend

Sounding Depth from Waterline (10/1/02) Sounding Depth from Waterline (9/17/97)



Timber Debris

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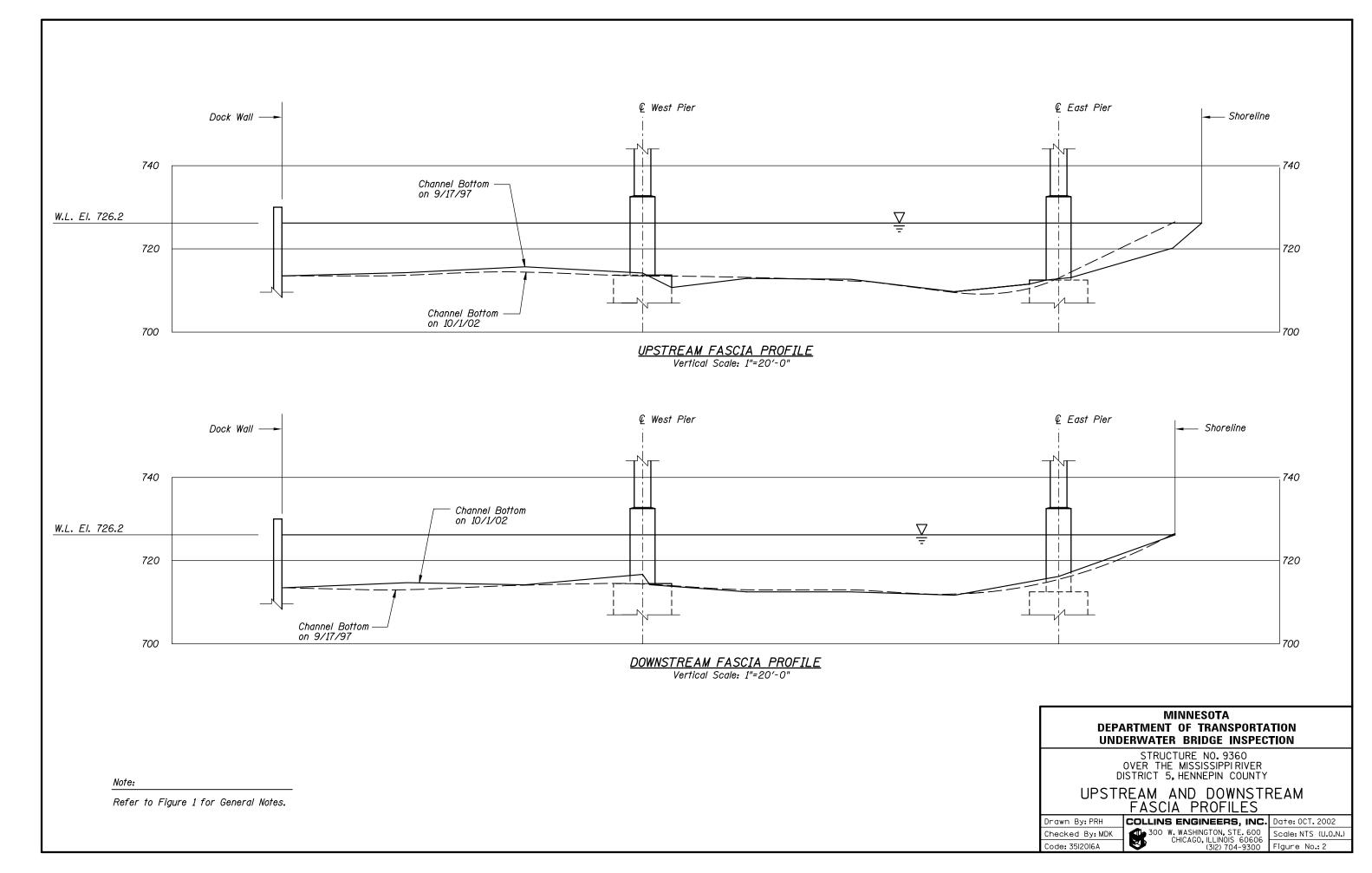
STRUCTURE NO. 9360 OVER THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER DISTRICT 5, HENNEPIN COUNTY

INSPECTION AND SOUNDING PLAN

Drawn By: PRH Checked By: MDK ode: 35|20|6A

COLLINS ENGINEERS, INC. Date: OCT. 2002 300 W. WASHINGTON, STE. 600 CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60606 (312) 704-9300 Figure No.:

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Photograph 1. Overall View of the Structure, Looking South.



Photograph 2. View of West Pier, Looking Southwest.



Photograph 3. View of East Pier, Looking Northeast. Note the Spall Repair.

MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION OFFICE OF BRIDGES AND STRUCTURES DAILY DIVING REPORT

INSPECTORS: Collins Engineers, Inc. DATE: October 1, 2002

ON-SITE TEAM LEADER: Shirley M. Walker, P.E.

BRIDGE NO: 9360 WEATHER: Sunny, "70E F

WATERWAY CROSSED: The Mississippi River

DIVING OPERATION: X SCUBA SURFACE SUPPLIED AIR

OTHER

PERSONNEL: Michelle D. Koerbel, Clayton G. Brookins

EQUIPMENT: Scuba, U/W Light, Scraper, Sounding Pole, Lead Line, Probe Rod, Boat,

Camera

TIME IN WATER: 10:15 a.m.

TIME OUT OF WATER: 10:45 a.m.

WATERWAY DATA: VELOCITY "1 f.p.s.

VISIBILITY "0.5 foot

DEPTH 13.5 feet maximum at the West Pier.

ELEMENTS INSPECTED: East and West Piers

REMARKS: Overall, the concrete of the piers was in good condition above and below water with random hairline to 1/16 inch wide cracks with efflorescence. The footings at both piers were partially exposed on the channel side of the river with a maximum vertical exposure of 3 feet along the West Pier and 1 foot at the East Pier.

FURTHER ACTION NEEDED:	Y	VES	NΩ
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FURTHER ACTION NEEDED: (CONTINUED)

Monitor the timber debris, and if found to be increasing in the future, removal operations may become warranted.

Reinspect the submerged substructure units at the normal maximum recommended (NBIS) interval of five (5) years.

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UNDERWATER INSPECTION CONDITION RATING FORM

BRIDGE NO. 9360
INSPECTORS Collins Engineers, Inc.
ON-SITE TEAM LEADER Shirley M. Walker, P.E.
WATERWAY CROSSED The Mississippi River

INSPECTION DATE October 1, 2002

NOTE: USE ALL APPLICABLE CONDITION DEFINITIONS AS DEFINED IN THE MINNESOTA RECORDING AND CODING GUIDE INCLUDING GENERAL, SUBSTRUCTURE, CHANNEL AND PROTECTION, AND CULVERTS AND WALL DEFINITIONS TO COMPLETE THIS FORM.

CONDITION RATING

				SUBSTRUCTURE				CHANNEL				GENERAL							
UNIT REFERENCE NO.		MAXIMUM DEPTH OF WATER	PILING	COLUMNS, SHAFTS, OR FACES*	FOOTINGS	DISPLACEMENT	ОТНЕR	OVERALL SUBSTRUCTURE CONDITION CODE*	SCOUR	EMBANKMENT EROSION	EMBANKMENT PROTECTION	OTHER (DRIFT/DEBRIS)	OVERALL CHANNEL & PROTECTION CONDITION	CONCRETE	STEEL	TIMBER	LOSS OF SECTION	PREVIOUS REPAIR OR MAINTENANCE	OTHER
	UNIT DESCRIPTION	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	East Pier	11.8'	Ν	7	7	9	N	7	6	N	N	7	6	6	N	N	6	8	N
	West Pier	13.5'	Ν	7	7	9	Ζ	7	6	Ν	Ν	7	6	6	N	Ν	6	8	N
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*UNDERWATER PORTION ONLY

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NOTES: ATTACH SKETCHES AS NEEDED, IDENTIFY REMARK BY REFERRING TO UNIT REFERENCE NO. AND REMARK NO. USE GENERAL SECTION TO IDENTIFY OVERALL PRESENCE OF SPALLS, CRACKS, CORROSION, ETC.